

The organizing committee cordially invites you to participate in National Symposium on “*Advances in Microbial Diversity and Disease Management for Sustainable Crop production*” at College of Forestry and Hill Agriculture, GB Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Hill Campus, Ranichauri, Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand during Oct 03 to 05, 2008. Plant protection is a major component in the endeavor for sustained and increased production of cereals, pulses, oilseeds, fruits and vegetables. In modern India, disease spectrum and intensity are changing continuously because of dynamic nature of agriculture. The future need in plant protection technologies for agricultural and horticultural crops is to develop, modify and advance the technologies of Pest Management by exploiting their complimentary role through production system approaches. Plethora of research is underway in the areas of biological control; manipulations in cultural practices, biofungicides, botanicals, resistant breeding, marker assisted selection, transgenic approach and integrated pest and disease management strategies, to tackle ever imposing plant disease problems.

The present symposium attempts to showcase advances made by researchers for disease management in the above areas and to integrate the spectrum management measures to reduce yield losses due to diseases

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The presentations shall have both oral and poster presentations in six broad thematic areas. Scientists of national and international repute will present lead lectures in different technical sessions.

- The broad thematic areas to be focused during the symposium are:
1. Microbial diversity and conservation
  2. Advances in disease management strategies in field and horticultural crops
  3. Developments in eco-friendly integrated disease management
  4. Biotechnological approaches for disease management
  5. Disease management in forestry, medicinal and aromatics crops
  6. Climate change & disease dynamics, epidemiology and Disease forecasting

VENUE

College of Forestry and Hill Agriculture, Hill Campus of Gobind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, established at Ranichauri in Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand is involved in generating and dissemination of cutting edge technologies with state of the art inputs in the areas of hill agriculture, horticulture, forestry and allied areas specifically for hill-agroclimatic conditions. The hill campus has altitudinal expanse from 1600 to 2200 meters above sea level, overseeing the majestic snow capped peaks of Himalayas. The mean temperature during symposium will be around 20 to 25°C.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Intending participants are invited to submit abstracts (250 words) electronically typed on A4 page, for oral or poster for presentations at the symposium, with following information, latest by **10th Sept 2008**:

- ✓ Title of paper, Author (s) (name of the author presenting paper should be underlined)
- ✓ Affiliations of author (s)
- ✓ E-mail address
- ✓ Abstract (250 words)

Out of papers presented one abstract per registered author will be published in *Indian Phytopathology* free of cost. Second abstract, if any, will require payment of additional Rs. 100/-. Authorship in abstracts will be restricted to four or less, none of them having more than one.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SYMPOSIUM

It is proposed to bring out a proceeding document of the symposium. Participants are requested to send full papers for publication in the symposium proceedings. The manuscript should be prepared as per the format of *Indian Phytopathology*.

M.J. NARASIMHAN ACADEMIC MERIT AWARD CONTEST

1. Contestants should submit extended abstracts
2. Age limit will be 35 years for contestants
3. Top two presentations will receive Commendation Certificates and would be recommended to the IPS for contest at national level
4. Awardees will submit full-length papers

Contestants should submit prescribed certificate from Head of department / Dean, along with abstract the performa of the certificate is available on the website.

REGISTRATION FEE

(non-refundable /non-transferable)

Delegates	Rs 1000
Students/research scholars	Rs 750
Accompanying person	Rs. 500
Foreign delegate	\$ 200
Corporate members	Rs 1500

Students have to produce identity proof

ACCOMMODATION

Delegates will be accommodated in nearby hotels on payment basis. Organizers will render assistance for reservation of accommodation in hotel for delegates and accompanying person, if the information is provided well in advance. The delegates may choose from following hotels:

Hotel	Place	Approx. Rates (Rs.)
Ekant	Ranichauri	200
Shubham	Chamba	200-500
Ganapati	Badshahi Thaul	300-600
Social palace	Chamba	200-300
Akashdeep	Chamba	300-400
Gautam Residency	Chamba	800-1400

Limited guesthouse and dormitory accommodation is available for scientists and student delegates, respectively on first come first serve basis.

TOURIST PLACES IN THE VICINITY

*Devbhumi* Uttarakhand is a portrait of magnificent natural beauty coupled with abundance of devotional places. Hill campus Ranichauri is located on the way to Char Dham Yamnotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath and Badrinath. Haridwar and Rishikesh, the gateways to the Garhwal hills are just 60 km away from hill campus, while the ‘Queen of hills’ Mussoorie is just 58 kms away. Dehradun, the picturesque capital of Uttarakhand is just 110 kms away.

Belwal Travels, New Tehri, who is in University Rate Contract, can be contacted for personalized tours, at 09412912514/09756545677.

POST SYMPOSIUM TOUR

Post symposium tour to Kanatal, Dhanaulti, Mussoorie, Dehradun and Rishikesh is proposed on payment of nominal charges for the interested participants on 05-10-2008.





**IPS-MEZ Annual Meeting and  
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**REGISTRATION FORM**

Full Name: .....

Designation: .....

Organization: .....

Mailing Address: .....

Phone: .....

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**Please tick the appropriate boxes:**

☐ I am sending registration fee of Rs ..... by DD No. .... dated ..... payable to the Indian Phytopathological Society (Mid-Eastern Zone) payable at New Tehri preferably in PNB/ SBI.

**I am interested in presenting paper(s) as**

- ☐ Poster/oral in annual meeting/ symposium  
☐ M.J. Narsimhan Academic Merit Award contest  
☐ The abstract of the paper is enclosed herewith / sent vide our letter no. .... dated .....

*Please convey your travel plan/confirmation of participation by 15<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2008.*

*Signature of the Participant*

**Address for submission of Abstracts**

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For online registration, updated information and guidelines for preparation of posters visit <http://ranichauri.tripod.com>

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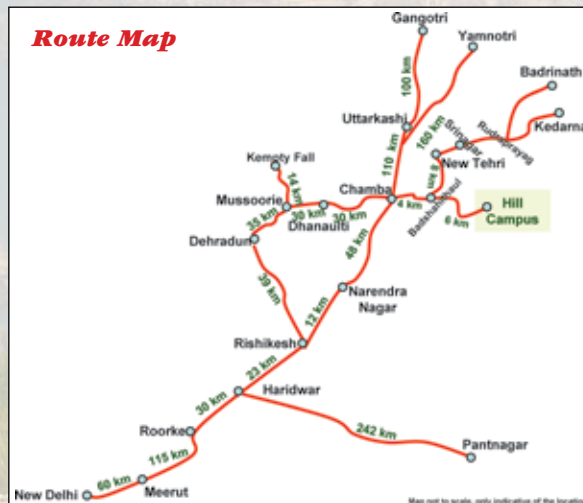
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